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1. AT DECEMBER, 1976 ICNAF MEETING IN TENERIFE, US PROPOSED TO REALLOCATE BOTH LOLIGO AND ILLEX SQUID FOR FOREIGN FISHING IN MID-1977 IF BY THAT TIME IT DID NOT APPEAR TONNAGES RESERVED FOR US FISHERMEN WOULD BE FULLY UTILIZED. INTERESTED FOREIGN NATIONS WERE GIVEN ILLUSTRATIONS OF INDIVIDUAL

REALLOCATIONS THAT MIGHT RESULT IF SURPLUSES OF 19,000 MT LOLIGO AND 7,540 MT ILLEX DEVELOPED. NMFS (DOC) HAS NOW INFORMED DEPARTMENT THAT ACTUAL SURPLUS LOLIGO IS 11,000 MT AND ILLEX 1500 MT. NMFS HAS FURTHER INFORMED DEPARTMENT THAT ANOTHER REALLOCATION MAY BE MADE IN FALL, 1977, BASED UPON RESULTS OF CONTINUOUS MONITORING OF US CATCH STATISTICS.

2. DEPARTMENT, IN CONSULTATION WITH DOC, HAS ALLOCATED AVAILABLE SURPLUSES BASED UPON FORMULA WHICH APPLIES PERCENTAGE OF INCREASE EACH NATION WOULD HAVE RECEIVED UNDER REALLOCATION ILLUSTRATED AT TENERIFE TO THE ACTUAL SURPLUSES THAT HAVE BECOME AVAILABLE. FYI US IS IN FINAL STAGES OF NEGOTIATING GIFA WITH MEXICO, AND 1000 MT LOLIGO AND 1000 MT ILLEX HAVE BEEN RESERVED FOR MEXICO PENDING SIGNING AND CONGRESSIONAL OVERSIGHT OF GIFA. BECAUSE OF

SPECIAL US/MEXICO FISHERY RELATIONSHIP, MEXICAN TONNAGES WERE TAKEN OFF THE TOP BEFORE OTHER COUNTRY PERCENTAGES WERE COMPUTED. BULGARIA AND FRG WERE NOT ASSIGNED A REALLOCATION SINCE 1) THESE COUNTRIES TAKE SQUID ONLY AS A BYCATCH AND 2) TONNAGES WOULD HAVE BEEN INSIGNIFICANT. END FYI.

3. REALLOCATION HAS BEEN MADE TO ITALY (EC), BUT WILL BE HELD IN RESERVE PENDING RECEIPT OF COMPLETE STATISTICS ON ITALIAN SQUID CATCH IN JANUARY/FEBRUARY 1977. UNCLASSIFIED

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ALLOCATION OF SQUID TO CUBA, AS WELL AS OTHER SPECIES, IS BEING RESERVED PENDING ENTRY INTO FORCE OF GIFA. CANADIAN SQUID ALLOCATION OF 2000 MT ILLEX AS PROVIDED UNDER US/CANADA RECIPROCAL AGREEMENT REMAINS UNCHANGED FOR REMAINDER OF 1977.

- 4. FOLLOWING ARE COUNTRY REALLOCATIONS IN METRIC TONS, FIRST NUMBER LOLIGO, SECOND NUMBER ILLEX: JAPAN 4720, 278; POLAND 501, 360; SPAIN 2885, 590; USSR 586, 25: MEXICO 1000, 100 (RESERVED); ITALY 1000, 147 (RESERVED); CUBA 808 LOLIGO ONLY (RESERVED).
- 5. ACTION EMBASSIES AND USEC REQUESTED INFORM HOST GOVERNMENTS OF THESE 1977 REALLOCATIONS, AND TO NOTE THAT REALLOCATION FIGURES ARE IN ADDITION RPT ADDITION TO EXISTING 1977 ALLOCATIONS FOR SQUID. PERMITS IN HAND WILL BE VALID TO FISH THE REALLOCATION, BUT ADDITIONAL FEES OF DLS. 14.67 PER TON MUST BE PAID ON REALLOCATION TONNAGES BEFORE FISHING ON REALLOCATION COMMENCES. COUNTRIES RECEIVING REALLLOCATIONS SHOULD INFORM NMFS/DOC THROUGH THEIR WASHINGTON EMBASSIES ASAP IF ALLOCATIONS ARE ACCEPTED, SO THAT BILLINGS

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